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[a newsletter for employees
and friends of BLM-Alaska]

BLMers take it to the court

Volleyball tourney brings out competitive spirit at annual picnic

Three years ago it was Kincaid Chalet, last year it was the YMCA and this year the annual employees summer meeting and picnic was held at the Hilltop Ski Area in Anchorage. By all accounts, it will become the permanent venue if State Director **Henri Bisson** has his way. While Bisson was temporarily delayed with business, Associate State Director **Julia Dougan** spoke about employee accomplishments and the importance of the gathering. She said that not many other BLM offices have such a function. She gave out a handful of awards and was joined by division chiefs who spoke briefly about key employees and projects.

The food was good – burgers, potato salad, baked beans and the ever-delicious barbequed baby back ribs – but the three-hour volleyball tournament, which replaced the softball game of past picnics,

was the big draw. About 90 employees bumped, set, spiked and tested some unorthodox moves while crowds cheered them on.

The Conveyances team, coached by the super-competitive **Mike Haskins**, was outfitted in matching pink t-shirts and when they stepped on the field, they appeared the team to beat. The final match pitted the much-practiced Conveyances against the steady and relaxed Resources team.

Krissell Crandall led the Conveyances charge with her fierce spirit aided by teammates **Satrina Lord**, **Crystal Arroyo** and, of course, Haskins. Meanwhile, the not-so-

serious Resources team had **Eseta Poulivaati** laughing with every serve. Teammate **Susan Lavin** gracefully attempted the splits while returning a serve. It was a close game, but Conveyances prevailed. Resources accepted its second place good-naturedly, but Lavin pointed

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SOFTBALL OUT, VOLLEYBALL IN: In August, about 90 employees tested their volleyball skills during a three-hour tourney at the employee picnic in Anchorage. Above left, **Ed Bovy** rises to the occasion to execute a block as **Brad England** looks on during the 910 vs. 970 match. At top, **Krissell Crandall** of Conveyances prepares for a match. At bottom, **Satrina Lord**, sporting a hot pink sticker on her forehead in support of her Conveyances team, serves during the championship match against Resources. Check out more photos online at web.ak.blm.gov/aea

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BLM responds to Hurricane Katrina

The wildland fire community has responded to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina by sending resources nationwide to help with disaster relief efforts. Management teams and other fire personnel provide a multi-talented workforce that is trained to respond not only to wildland fire incidents, but to all natural disasters. Alaska is one of 47 states that has sent personnel. As of Sept. 9, the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center reported that 67 people from various agencies

in Alaska including the Bureau of Land Management, the State of Alaska Division of Forestry, the USDA Forest Service, the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have been sent to provide hurricane relief.

The Alaska Type 1 Incident Management Team, comprised of more than 30 people from the BLM, DOF and USFS, has been assigned to facilitate the delivery of more than 100,000 mobile homes for hurricane victims.



GALE A. NORTON, DOI

DOI recruiting for relief effort

BLM Director Kathleen Clarke sent a memo on Sept. 14 which provides guidance on the various ways Federal employees can assist those affected by Hurricane Katrina. Volunteers are needed immediately and for future deployment by FEMA. The BLM contact is Terry Pierce, Human Resources Specialist, Washington Human Resources Servicing Office at (202) 785-6593 or email at

Terry_Pierce@blm.gov.

AT LEFT, HURRICANE KATRINA devastated the Gulf Coast, including this New Orleans area neighborhood where flooding has caused severe damage. More photographs from Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton's recent tour to the Gulf energy production facilities and the New Orleans area are posted at www.DOI.gov/katrina/relief.html.

ARE YOU PREPARED? Safety Manager Ken Higgins reminds us that it's our responsibility to plan for survival should disaster strike. **See the Safety Zone on page 4.**

Members of the team have been split up to manage five distribution sites in Louisiana, Mississippi, Maryland, Texas and Alabama. The teams will manage the trailers once they are delivered from the manufacturers until they are shipped to their final destinations. The team was also notified to expect that new sites may be added to support potential evacuees from other storm-related disasters. For more information and photos of the Alaska Type 1 team,

go to fire.ak.blm.gov/akteam.

AFS employee **Joe Ribar's** Area Command Team is located in Baton Rouge, La., to coordinate seven IMTs in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Region Six. AFS employee **Tony Doty** is assigned to the Williams-Rhodes Area Command Team located in Atlanta, Ga., to coordinate 10 IMTs assigned to FEMA Region Four.

— *Maggie Rogers, Alaska Fire Service, public affairs assistant*



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[employee profile]

Ranger's sights set on Interior Alaska

One day Anchorage Field Office law enforcement ranger Mimi Thomas hopes to trade in her uniform and BLM rig for hip waders and a riverboat on the Black River in Interior Alaska, but that day is at least 10 years away.

Thomas' career in law enforcement began in 1994 when she accepted a co-op position with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service while she was a criminal justice major at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. After graduating in 1995, she became a Refuge Officer at Kenai National Wildlife Refuge. She joined the BLM team in 2003 and spends most of her days at the Anchorage Field Office helping to protect the resources of BLM's 730-acre Campbell Tract administrative site.

The issues Thomas deals with at Campbell Tract include on- and off-road traffic violations, illegal dumping, vandalism and theft, illegal fires and fireworks, dog leash problems, wildlife encounters and other visitor safety issues. She recently completed a law enforcement assessment for AFO and rearranged her schedule to address some of the findings. By patrolling Campbell Tract on evenings and weekends when there's the most activity, Thomas can devote more attention to other AFO-managed lands.

She'd like to eventually transfer to BLM's Fairbanks District Office, where she'd



TERESA MCPHERSON, AFO

RANGER MIMI THOMAS joined the BLM in 2003 and spends most of her days at the Anchorage Field Office helping to protect the resources of BLM's 730-acre Campbell Tract.

be a short plane ride from her family in Fort Yukon.

Thomas is Gwitchin Athabascan from the Fort Yukon area. Her father is a retired Air Force civilian and long-time trapper in the Fort Yukon area. Thomas visits her 86-year-old father, several siblings, and a number of nieces and nephews in the area about twice a year. She'd like to make the trek a little more often, which is why she hopes to join the Fairbanks BLM team one day.

When she retires from the BLM in about ten years, Thomas would like to open a B&B or café in Interior Alaska. "A lot of people fly up for the day so they can get that certificate that says, 'I crossed the Arctic Circle.' Be nice if they stayed the night," says Thomas.

"My immediate plans are to buy a boat and learn the Yukon River from Circle to Fort Yukon," she says. "And the boat would give me another way to get home." She owns property on the Black River, which she says is a prime location for hunting, fishing, or just a good place to get away.

Thomas knows that dreams take planning and hard work. She wants to take business courses at UAF before retiring from federal law enforcement. Until then, she plans to work hard, study hard, and enjoy Alaska's outdoors with her camera and 6-year-old Shepard/husky mix named Trooper.

What do you enjoy most about your job? "Meeting new people who are out

recreating and enjoying the outdoors and, of course, they all abide by the rules and regulations for the area [smile]."

What do you enjoy the least? "Dealing with people who litter, who don't understand it's their backyard they're treating like a dump. And people who refuse to put their dogs on a leash on Campbell Tract."

What have you learned from working with BLM? "BLMers are very good people to work with, this has made my move from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to BLM very easy. I have no regrets and I enjoy my job even more because of the people I get to work with."

What don't most people know about you? "I like to cook."

What's the last book you read? "Jimmy Buffett's 'A Pirate Looks at Fifty.' It's about a trip he took through the Caribbean Islands to celebrate his 50th birthday, and his philosophy of life and how to live it. And I like his music."

What's your ultimate meal? "Moose meat prepared any way."

What's your favorite place? "Grayling Fork, or 'up home' as my family calls it. It's located on the confluence of the Black and Grayling rivers, a two- or three-day boat trip east of Fort Yukon. A family-owned getaway."

— Teresa McPherson
Anchorage Field Office,
public affairs specialist

Delayed disaster response inevitable, be prepared

A national discourse is currently taking place as to whether or not the Federal government responded in a reasonably timely manner to the immense destruction caused by hurricane Katrina. Regardless of where you stand on how timely that response was, the unfortunate reality is that a meaningful response to any large scale disaster will never be immediate enough. Shock and confusion are always a nation's first response, followed by the daunting logistical challenges associated with moving enormous amounts of personnel and material into an area that has little or no remaining transportation or communications infrastructure.

In fact, a delayed response is accepted by disaster planners as a basic reality, and a delay in receiving outside assistance is always factored into regional disaster response plans. Anchorage area disaster plans, for example, assume that after a major earthquake there will be a three-day delay before outside assistance will reach any level of effectiveness. Considering that New Orleans is located within the contiguous states while Alaska is far removed from the rest of the country, that three-day figure may be somewhat optimistic.

The intense suffering of the survivors

SAFETY ZONE

The "Safety Zone," is an every-other-issue column to keep you informed of safety issues at work and at home. If you have a safety topic that you'd like to read more about, contact safety manager **Ken Higgins** at **Ken.Higgins@ak.blm.gov**.

in Louisiana and Mississippi has vividly demonstrated that victims of a large-scale disaster are fundamentally on their own in the first days following a destructive event. It should be a clear and powerful lesson to anyone living in a region that's susceptible to large-scale destructive forces: take some time to make a few simple preparations to take care of yourselves and your family should disaster strike.

For guidance, stop by your safety office for a copy of each of these Red Cross pamphlets: Your Family Disaster Plan, Your Family Disaster Supplies Kit, and Emergency Preparedness Checklist. To request a copy of an emergency supply list that's more specifically tailored to Alaska, contact the State Safety Office via email at **Ken_Higgins@ak.blm.gov**.

— *Ken Higgins,*
Alaska State Office,
safety manager

Build a Disaster Supplies Kit

Keep the supplies that you would most likely need during an evacuation in an easy to carry container like a covered trash can, a camping back pack or duffle bag. The following is a list of what should be included in your kit:

- ☐ **Water** Store one gallon of water per person per day for drinking, food preparation and sanitation. Keep at least a three-day supply.
- ☐ **Food** Keep at least a three-day supply of non perishable food.
- ☐ **First Aid Kit** for home and one for each car.
- ☐ **Nonprescription Drugs** including aspirin or pain reliever and antacid
- ☐ **Tools and Supplies** including mess kits, radio, flashlights, cash or traveler's checks, matches, batteries, etc.

- ☐ **Sanitation Supplies** including toilet paper, soap, garbage bags, disinfectant, etc.
- ☐ **Clothing and Bedding** including at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person
- ☐ **Special Items** for family members with special requirements, such as infants and elderly or disabled persons
- ☐ **Entertainment** including games, cards, books, and portable music devices
- ☐ **Important Family Documents** in a water proof container

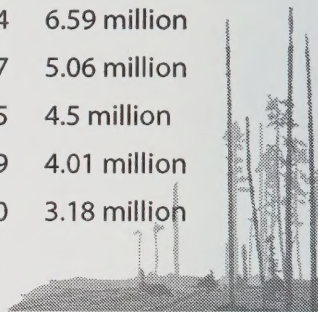


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TOP 5 FIRE SEASONS as of Sept. 21, 2005

Year	Acres Burned
2004	6.59 million
1957	5.06 million
2005	4.5 million
1969	4.01 million
1990	3.18 million



Fire crews work another busy season

Fire season 2005 was the third largest since reliable records began in the 1950s. Alaska Fire Service did not have staffed fires that required much beyond initial attack until mid-June. Fire starts and activity increased until the end of July when there was a period of cooler, wetter weather. Toward the beginning of August, conditions became warm and dry once again. Activity increased not only due to the addition of new fires, but also because dormant fires became active once again.

Not only was this summer the third largest, it is unique because it is the second summer on record since the 1980s that there were more lightning-caused fires than human-caused fires. The only other time this happened was in 1984, with 426 lightning-caused and 364 human-caused fires that burned nearly 123,100 acres. This year 378 lightning-caused and 272 human-caused fires have burned more than 4 million acres.

Though the season in Alaska is over, many AFS employees are on assignment to the Lower-48 on wildland fire incidents or as part of Hurricane Katrina disaster relief (see related story on page 2).

— *Maggie Rogers,*
Alaska Fire Service,
public affairs assistant

Anchorage Field Office

Brune to receive Take Pride award

BLM Campbell Creek Science Manager **Jeff Brune** will receive the Take Pride in America Federal Land Manager's Award at ceremonies in Washington, DC in late September.



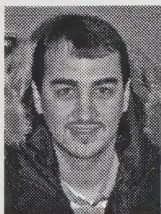
BRUNE

Under Brune's leadership, the science center hosted seven distinct events over the last year which drew 600 volunteers who contributed more than 4,000 hours at the Campbell Tract. The science center also boasts a new interactive computer program called "Get Energized!" that teaches users about energy and the role of BLM lands in helping to meet America's energy needs.

The Take Pride in America Program is a national partnership initiative to expand volunteer service on America's public lands. The Federal Land Manager's award recognizes managers who find innovative and creative approaches to using volunteers.

Porhola earns masters degree

Petroleum engineer **Stan Porhola** earned a master's degree in Arctic Engineering from the University of Alaska-Anchorage in May. Porhola's BLM career began at



PORHOLA



KEVIN KEELER, AFO

Anchorage Field Office

TRAIL MARKER TEEPEE: AFO outdoor rec planner **Doug Ballou** stacks driftwood logs on the beach at Norton Sound for later installation as trail markers along the notorious "Blowhole" section of the Iditarod National Historic Trail near Solomon. Ballou, INHT coordinator **Kevin Keeler**, and BLM Nome staffer **Tom Sparks** worked with Nome Emergency Services this summer to improve trail marking along several sections of the trail where drifting snow creates a featureless landscape during blizzard and whiteout conditions.

a BLM-Alaska Resource Advisory Council (RAC) meeting in February 2003. Then an unemployed graduate student, Porhola spoke during public comment about misconceptions of Alaska's oil industry. Later, BLM offered Porhola a student internship. He works at the Campbell Tract for the State Office's Branch of Energy.

Schoolhouse listed in National Register

AFO archaeologist **Donna Redding** has successfully nominated to the National Register of Historic Places a one-room schoolhouse called Clover Pass School near Ketchikan. "The school was built in 1947 by 25 families who moved to the area under the Federal Homesite

Program," explains Redding. Initial enrollment was 12 students.

Today the local historic society owns and maintains the schoolhouse, which sits on BLM land. The building retains its structural integrity and original siding, windows and doors. Local residents use the schoolhouse as a community center, summer library, polling place, and social hall for weddings and dances.

Scout project improves safety

This summer AFO outdoor recreation gurus **Doug Ballou** and **Brad Muir** worked with a young Eagle Scout candidate to improve visitor safety near the Campbell Tract airstrip. In August, Scout Eric Pinard-

Janisch of Chugiak and his crew transplanted spruce trees to screen unauthorized access trails near the airstrip.

"Eric designed the project himself," says Muir. "He assembled a crew, trained them, and supervised the project. He's a great Eagle Scout candidate, very mature, very much a leader."

The spruce trees were taken from a communications tower site on the tract where BLM removes encroaching vegetation during regular maintenance. The transplant project is one of several safety enhancements at the airstrip over the last two years.

Fairbanks District Office

Youth crew rebuilds boardwalk

In August, the Eastern Interior Field Office sponsored a Serve Alaska Youth Corps (AmeriCorps) work crew that replaced 300 feet of boardwalk on the Summit hiking trail in the White Mountains National Recreation Area.

The seven-person crew tore up old boardwalk installed by the Youth Conservation Corps in the 1970s and replaced it with pressure-treated lumber. The SAYC crew also cut back thick alders and willows along one and a half miles of overgrown trail.

"This is a big, multi-year project," says outdoor recreation planner **Randy Goodwin**. "We have another 1,400 feet of boardwalk that

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BOARDWALK, from page 5

still needs to be replaced. If we can get more crews as hard-working as this one, we'll make some real progress."

The non-motorized hiking trail is popular with backpackers and day-hikers in the summer, and is part of a five-mile ski trail in the winter.

Coldfoot center goes global

The Arctic Interagency Visitor Center staff in Coldfoot report that visitors are immediately drawn to the new globe, installed in July, which replaces a flat map.

The globe, positioned at the entrance to the center's exhibits, is an effective tool for depicting Alaska and its position relative to the other lands of the high Arctic.



Federal Building Fitness Center

Annual meeting postponed

The annual Anchorage Federal Building Fitness Center general membership meeting normally scheduled for October is postponed until early 2006. The meeting should coincide with the completion of the center's expansion which will increase the workout space by several hundred feet.

The Fitness Center committee's meetings are

the first Tuesday of each month at 11:45 a.m. on the fifth floor of the Anchorage Federal Office Building in the NOAA/NWS office Room 517. All fitness center members are welcome. The next meeting is Oct. 4.

The Fitness Center committee is an interagency group tasked with overseeing management, operations and funding of the Anchorage Federal Building Fitness Center. For more information, contact

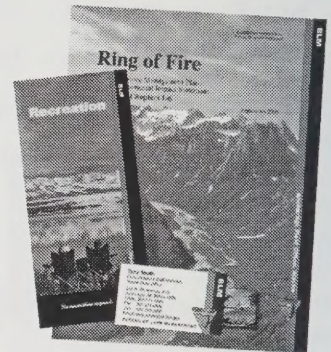
BLM's representative, **Danielle Allen**, 271-3335.

Conveyance Management

BLM completes village entitlement

The final patent fulfilling entitlement for the Native Village of Igiugig was issued in late August. Igiugig, located along the Kvichak River on the west end of Iliamna Lake, is one of 29 villages in the Bristol Bay Region that has received

its land entitlement under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA).



State Director's Office

'BLM bar' brings consistent look

Have you noticed the new look of BLM brochures, newsletters (like the Alaska People cover), business cards and other printed materials? The recently adopted "BLM Identifier" (a.k.a. the BLM bar) establishes a consistent look and feel so our customers immediately recognize BLM materials.

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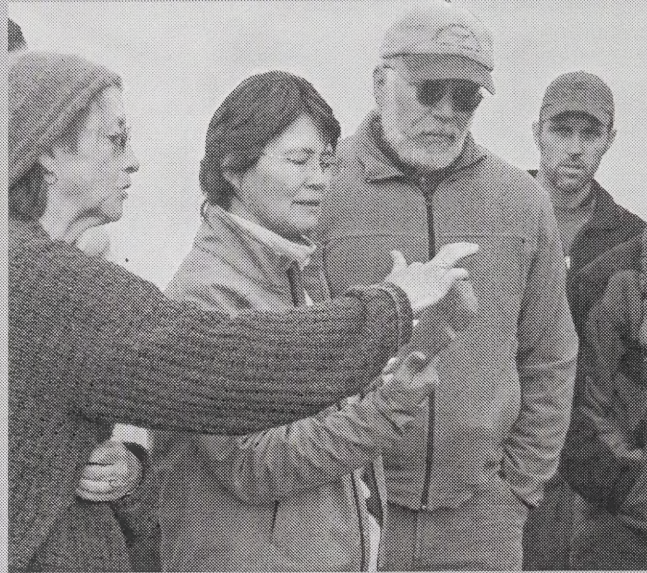
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These new standards apply to all BLM brochures, maps, business cards, CD holders, and other printed materials.

For more information, contact a visual information specialist at your office or call **Vanessa Rathbun**, 271-5727, or public affairs specialist **Ed Bovy**, 271-3318, in the Office of Communications at the Alaska State Office.



WENDY LONGTIN, ASO

State Director's Office

RAC ON ICE: In mid-August, the BLM Alaska Resource Advisory Council held a public meeting in Cordova and toured the Bering Glacier. BLM Resource Advisory Council member June McAtee, center, speculates about the origins and uses of a handmade tool found at the Bering Glacier with University of Alaska researcher Marilyn Barker, left, and fellow RAC member Tom Crafford, right, as natural resource specialist **Ben Seifert** of the Glennallen Field Office looks on. BLM archaeologist **John Jangala** at the Glennallen Field Office says the artifact appears to be an adze, a stone woodworking tool used for vertical shaping. A geologist by education, McAtee says she is particularly interested in the tools. She has spoken to quite a few archaeologists in the course of her work as an Alaska Native corporation resource manager and has a personal interest in the field. More photos from the RAC tour are available at www.beringglacier.org

[comings & goings]

The following full-time permanent employee personnel actions as provided by Human Resource Management are from July 12 to Aug. 29:

INTERNAL MOVES

TEMPORARY

Ilene Penas, AFS, supervisory forestry technician

PERMANENT

Crystal Arroyo, ASO, land law examiner

Joseph Burns, ASO, land surveyor

Mark Fullmer, AFO, planning and environmental coordinator

Kenneth Higgins, ASO, safety and occupational health manager

Eugene (Chip) Houde, AFS, aviation management specialist

Jefferson Johnson, AFO, realty specialist

Linda Musitano, FDO, natural resource specialist

Russell Myers, AFS, fuel distribution system worker

Erika Reed, ASO, planning consultant

Wesley Stark, AFS, forestry technician

Cheryl Van Der Horn, AFS, forestry technician



LENORE HEPPLER, CYFO

Central Yukon Field Office

BOWSERS BOW OUT: Volunteers **Bob and Thelma Bowser** have decided to call it quits after 14 consecutive summers of staffing the Yukon Crossing Visitor Contact Station on the Dalton Highway. The Orlando, Fla., couple said they wanted to try something new and spend summers closer to family. Central Yukon Field Office park ranger/interpreter **Lenore Heppler** said the Bowsers' impact was huge. "It wasn't just that they were there for so many years sharing information on the Dalton Highway," says Heppler. "They also made an amazing amount of friends, not only among those who work along the highway but among visitors from all over the world." In 1999, the Bowsers traveled to Washington, D.C., to receive BLM's national "Making a Difference" volunteer award.

by summer facilities in Chicken and Eagle.

RETIREES

Years of Federal Service are noted in parentheses.

Michael Clark, ASO, land surveyor (30), retired from BLM but says he'll be too busy to miss work since he plans to finish building his airplane and see the Lower 48 by air, fix up rental property in Anchorage, build a house and more on 80 acres in Wasilla and raise goats,

chickens and maybe a horse. He's also taking trips to Minnesota, Arizona, Seattle, the Philippines and Florida in the next 9 months.

Robert Dickerson, AFS, forestry technician (22)

The consummate optimist, **John Miller Jr.**, ASO, electronic mechanic (35), has been a permanent fixture at the State



CLARK

Office for many years — a man of many talents who not only kept the BLM's telephone system organized, but also provided many memorable moments at employee social events. With John's retirement many are asking "Who's going to be Santa?"



MILLER

GOINGS

Julie Abell, ASO, secretary

Michael Beale, ASO, land surveyor

Helen Crow, AFO, management assistant

Scott Hocklander, AFS, forestry technician (smokejumper)

Mary Anne Medina, ASO, cartographic technician

Waters called to serve in Iraq

GFO biologist **Elijah Waters** has been called to active duty through the National Guard for deployment to Iraq. Waters does not anticipate returning to the BLM until December 2006.



WATERS

Tok employees relocate

The Fortymile Field Station in Tok shut its doors for good on Aug. 12. Two of the three remaining employees, realty technician **Kevan Cooper** and realty specialist **Nancy Whicker**, are now based out of the Fairbanks District Office. Outdoor recreation planner **Jeff Kowalczyk** took a job with the Anchorage Field Office. BLM activities in the Fortymile area will continue to be supported

IN MEMORIAM

Vernon (Vern) Williams, electronic mechanic with AFS, died Aug. 4 in Fairbanks.

Melvin (Mel) D'Anza died Aug. 8 in Anchorage. Mel worked at the Campbell Tract Facility warehouse and retired in April 2000. After his retirement, he was a dedicated Colonel with the Alaska State Defense Force.

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THE ANCHORAGE EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION

helped serve food at this year's picnic.

PICNIC, from front page

out that many of her teammates were of advanced age. Resources player **Curt Wilson** concurred, and at 61, was proud that he was the oldest player out there. Wilson vowed to return next year gunning for the primarily female and young Conveyances team. Watch your back, Conveyances, they're coming to get you.

— Danielle Allen, Alaska State Office,
public affairs specialist



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